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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Our Case No.00-713-i12)

In re Application of:)
Mirkin, et al.) Examiner: Alexander H. Spiegler
Serial No. 09/975,376) Group Art Unit: 1637
Filed: October 11, 2001) Confirmation No.: 9821
For: Nanoparticles Having)
Oligonucleotides Attached Thereto)
and Uses Therefor)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

LETTER

Sir:

The Applicants are attaching substitute references nos. 56-61 to replace the defective references that were submitted as part of an 8th Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement mailed on October 19, 2004.

Prompt consideration of this Letter and attachments is respectfully transmitted.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: Oct. 25, 2004

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

In regard to the above identified application.

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- a) Letter;
- b) Replacement References Nos. 56-61
- c) Return Postcard.

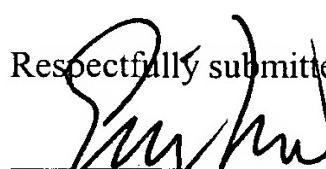
2. With respect to fees:

- a) No fee is due at the present time.
- b) General Authorization: Please charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment our Deposit Account No. 13-2490.

3. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described in paragraph 1 hereinabove, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on this 25th day of October, 2004.

Date: Oct. 25, 2004

Respectfully submitted,


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